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SPECIF C CAUTERY-3 - Personality Assessment

The following personality assessment was prepared by Dr. Max BURGER, head of the Psychiatric Clinic of Krankenhaus Alt Moabit, on 12 May 1951:

1. CAUTERY-3's history is distinguished by an instability and adventuresomeness. He says that he lived with his parents until he was 15 when he found his home life too dull. He joined the Arbeitdienst and later the Luftwaffe. In 1936 he fought in the Spanish Civil War with the Londer Legion, where, although he was a capable flyer, he says he also was engaged in intelligence work. He next became a performer, working most of the time as a lion tamer. He was mauled twice, from which he received facial wounds. He then rejoined the Luftwaffe. He crashed in 1942 and sustained a fractured skull and a temporary loss of consciousness. The immediate results, such as headaches, disappeared very quickly. He was a Russian POW for three years but shows no signs of malnutrition. At the present time he is the leader of a ballet where he is kept so busy that he must often work far into the night, but he does not feel overworked.

2. CAUTERY-3 was married for the first time in 1940. The marriage lasted until 1944 when, on account of his infidelity, it ended in divorce. He was married a second time in 1948 but divorced in 1949 because of mutual infidelity.

3. He drinks only on social occasions; he smokes moderately, mostly pipe and cigarettes. He likes films and the theatre. He enjoys reading, mostly light fiction. He meets other people easily and likes to go to parties. He has never been a lone-wolf type, in fact he formerly had a great many good friends, although he does not now. But he does have a very wide circle of acquaintances. He is healthy and temperamentally completely stable. He has no internal quietude and does not know the meaning of fear. He sleeps well, usually without dreaming. His memory is good.

4. The neurological investigation showed CAUTERY-3 to be completely normal. There is no evidence of any organic nerve disorder; on the contrary, there is a slight negative over-excitability which manifests itself in mild forms of skin and other vasomotor disorders.

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5. There is no evidence of any fundamental psychical derangement. His intelligence is above average; he comprehends and adapts himself quickly. He is mentally and morally well balanced. He is quick and capable of making contacts. He answers quickly, perhaps even somewhat impulsively. He is thymopathic, has an unbounded vitality and is a strong extrovert.

6. Subject shows no signs of any neurotic traits, in particular there is no reason to suppose a fear neurosis. Moral problems and inner conflict situations are unknown to him. The lack of these is connected with his shallow education in the conception of higher esthetic values. His vitality and lack of restraint are related to his love of danger. He feels that his nature is suitable to handle dangerous situations from which he derives a pleasant thrill. Corresponding to his thymopathic disposition, his actions are governed by his mind rather than his temper. He is only slightly influenced by moral considerations. From the point of view of his character, he can be considered as not being very dependable (charakterlich nichtsehr zuverlässig), particularly if he has no sympathetic or material reason for being so (wenn nicht besondere affektive und materielle Bindungen bestehen).

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